



4<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Dear Beloved Members,

I hope this letter finds you and your family in good health during this difficult time for us as a nation. I have spoken with the Board of Directors and Officers about how to deal with the COVID pandemic in relation to our Annual Homecoming and Meeting. We have decided it would be best to cancel our Annual Homecoming and Meeting. At this time the Officers and the Board feel it's best for the health of our members to make the decision, while also making our decision in enough time to notify everyone accordingly.

I am happy to report we have received word from the IRS that we are a 501(c)(13), non-profit organization and your donations will be tax-deductible. Specifically, the IRS refers to us as a 501(c)(13) a nonprofit mutual cemetery company. This along with the creation of the LLC, Limited Liability Company for the Association, will help the Cemetery move forward and continue to grow. As a private cemetery, we depend solely upon donations from our members to pay for the ongoing maintenance to the Cemetery. While there are no annual dues, we will appreciate if you can send a donation for the upkeep of your family's plot. If you are a past donor to the Association, we greatly appreciate your donation. If you have never donated in the past, or would like to make a donation this year, please send your checks payable to "Grove Hill Cemetery Association" and mail them to P.O. Box 564 Leonard, TX 75452.

Please take a moment to share this letter with other members of your family and invite them to attend next year's Annual Meeting and Homecoming. If you'll provide Lea Ann with their names, we will make sure to add them to our mailing lists. You can eMail the names and addresses to Lea Ann at [Admin@GroveHillUMC.org](mailto:Admin@GroveHillUMC.org) or by calling her at 214.549.1242. You can also find Cemetery Maps, Rules for Burial, a List of Interments and a Photo gallery on the Church's website at [www.GroveHillUMC.org](http://www.GroveHillUMC.org) and you can also "Like" us on Facebook by searching "Grove Hill Cemetery Association, LLC." We provide regular updates on our Facebook page to keep you better informed.

I encourage everyone to eMail me with any suggestions or comments you may have. I can be reached by calling me at 903.436.2269 or via either the Cemetery's eMail address at [GroveHill75452@gmail.com](mailto:GroveHill75452@gmail.com) or at my regular eMail at [gaWhitaker@live.com](mailto:gaWhitaker@live.com), I always look forward to hearing from anyone. May God bless each of you, your families and keep you safe during this time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Glenn A. Whitaker", is written over a long horizontal line.

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